



# Birmingham Community Charter High School

## Board Policy 68 – High School Credit for College Courses Completed in Grades K-12

<p><b>Purpose(s):</b></p> <p>This policy grants high school credit for college courses completed in grades K-12</p>
<p><b>Issuer:</b></p> <p>Isaac Alatorre, Director</p>
<p><b>Board Approved:</b></p> <p>September 28, 2024</p>
<p><b>Federal / State / laws, regulations, bulletins and/or memorandums:</b></p> <p>LACCD CCAP Agreement LAUSD Bull 1040.3 ED Code 76004 ED Code 48800 ED Code 51225.3</p>
<p><b>Attachments:</b></p>

<p><b>BACKGROUND:</b></p> <p>Birmingham Community Charter High School (BCCHS) currently grants high school credit for college courses completed during grades 9-12, in accordance with the Los Angeles Unified School District’s (LAUSD) Bulletin 1040.3, <i>Credit for Concurrent Enrollment in High School and Community College</i>. However, BCCHS does not have a policy for awarding high school credit for college courses completed before high school.</p>
<p><b>MAJOR CHANGES:</b></p> <p>This policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants high school credit for college courses completed in grades K-8</li> <li>• Updates how BCCHS awards credit for completed college courses, ensuring alignment with UC/CSU A-G and high school graduation requirements across all grade levels</li> </ul>
<p><b>GUIDELINES:</b></p> <p>In accordance with Education Code Section 48800, students may be permitted to enroll in college courses as part-time or full-time students if it is determined that they would benefit from advanced academic or vocational work.</p> <p>Access to college courses may be expanded if the courses fall under the College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) agreement between the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) and BCCHS.</p> <p>The community college district may limit admission or enrollment of special part-time or full-time concurrently enrolled high school students based on specific criteria, such as age, grade level completion, or demonstrated eligibility through assessment methods and procedures.</p> <p>The Principal may recommend a student for community college summer session only if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The student “demonstrates adequate preparation in the discipline to be studied”</li> <li>2. The student “exhausts all opportunities to enroll in an equivalent course, if any, at the pupil’s school of attendance”</li> </ol>
<p><b>PROCEDURES:</b></p> <p>A. Students must obtain permission from the Principal, Counselor or Administrative Designee before enrolling in a college class. The student must complete the College Class Registration Consent Form and it must be approved by the Counselor.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. On the form, the Counselor will indicate whether the course will receive: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. High school credit (course completed to meet a Graduation Requirement). Refer to the <i>High School Course Equivalency List</i> for details</li> <li>ii. College credit only (course completed for enrichment)</li> </ol> </li> <li>b. After the student completes the course(s), the counselor will submit the form along with the college transcripts to the Registrar or designee to update the student’s transcript.</li> </ol> <p>B. Students that completed college courses with a “C” or better during grades K-8</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Students must complete the College Class Registration Consent Form.</li> <li>b. The counselor will submit the form along with the college transcripts to the Registrar or designee to update the student’s transcript.</li> </ol>



## LIMITATIONS

- A. College courses completed in grades K-8 for high school credit, except those taken during the summer before 9th grade, will not be factored into the student's high school GPA. Additionally, students must fulfill the requirements outlined in EC 51225.3 during grades 9-12 to qualify for a high school diploma, regardless of the number of courses completed prior to high school.
- B. The UC/CSU systems award credit for Geometry courses completed in 7th or 8th grade. Students that complete a college Geometry course before 7th grade will be required to retake the course in high school.
- C. College courses used to fulfill any BCCHS graduation requirement will not receive an augmented point on the student's GPA. Augmented points are awarded only for courses taken for enrichment purposes.
- D. Physical Education College Courses
  - a. High school students seeking to fulfill their Physical Education (PE) requirement through college courses must complete two community college PE courses each semester. This will satisfy the requirement of 400 minutes of physical education instruction every 10 days and provide 5 high school PE credits. The courses must be from any of the following eight activity areas:
    - i. Aquatics
    - ii. Individual/dual sports
    - iii. Rhythms/Dance
    - iv. Combatives
    - v. Gymnastics & Tumbling
    - vi. Team Activities
    - vii. Mechanics of body movement
    - viii. The effect of physical activity upon dynamic health

A sample schedule might look like the following:

    - Fall: KIN 237 Boot Camp + KIN 315 Judo I = (5 credits)
    - Spring: KIN 350 Weight Training I + KIN 336 Zumba Fitness I = (5 credits)
  - b. 9th Grade students enrolled in PE college classes must also be tested in the state mandated physical performance test (Fitnessgram) either by their community college instructor (provided they have been trained) between February 1 and April 15 or by BCCHS
  - c. Summer School – PE college courses may be taken to make up a deficient grade but cannot be taken for original credit.